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UM LIBRARY ACQUIRES MICROFILM
OF BILLINGS GAZETTE FILES

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Microfilms of files from the Billings Gazette, one of Montana's largest newspapers, were recently acquired by the University of Montana Library.

Acquisition of the microfilms cost the University Library \$4,000. The library project was given a major financial assist with an \$800 contribution by the Friends of the Library.

The newspaper files themselves, which date back to 1883, would fill a large room. Microfilmed, they were reduced to a single filing cabinet, safe from the ravages of fire, insects and air.

The Helena Independent Record, the Great Falls Tribune, the Montana Standard and the Missoulian have already been microfilmed and added to the UM Library collection.

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